(b) how long it will take to produce a Maruti car indigenously; and

(c) what are the reasons for the delay to complete indigenisation?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJIT SINGH): (a) As on 31.7. 1990 the level of Cumulative indigenisation achieved for the Maruti Car is 92.07 per cent.

(b) and (c) Maruti Udyog Ltd. plans to achieve about 95 per cent indigenisation for Maruti 800 cc car. The Company is not envisaging 100 per cent indigenisation because due to the high cost of indigenisation of some items like roof moulding, ring piston, timing belt, sleeves and forks etc., it is not cost effective or beneficial to localise them.

Self sufficiency in the production of family planning devices

707. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether India is self-sufficient in the production of family planning devices such as oral contraceptives, IUDs, condoms, etc.;

(b) if so, whether Government propose to increase their production to take advantage of increasing demand in the international market; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RASHEED MASOOD): (a) In regard to Condoms and Oral Contraceptives Pill, the present production capacity available in the country is sufficient to meet the requirements of the programme. However, in regard to IUD all the requirements of the programme are being met from sources out-side the country as these are not being manufactured in the country.

(b) New capacities are being created to manufacture condom and Manufacturing facilities for IUD are coming up in the country.

(c) Does not arise.

Production of diesel engine cars

708. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that diesel car engines are more fuel efficient than petrol engines of comparable sizes; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons for which production of diesel engine cars is not being encouraged?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJIT SINGH): (a) and (b) Diesel car engines are more fuel efficient in terms of mileage per litre than a petrol car of the same engine capacity.

Licensing policy for four-wheelers does not make any distinction between petrol and diesel operated vehicles. However, use of diesel for personalised vehicles is not being encouraged due to short availability and supply of diesel as well as price differential between diesel and petrol. Technically also, diesel engine has problems of high vibration, noise and maintenance. The initial cost of diesel engine car is also more compared to petrol engine car.

आयुर्वेदिक दवाओं का उत्पादन

709. श्री राम अवधेश सिंह : क्या स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि पटना, झांसी और कानपुर स्थित वैद्यनाथ आयुर्वेद भवनों में दवायें बनाने में नकली सामग्री और जड़ी-बूटियों का प्रयोग किया जा रहा है ;

(ख) क्या यह भी सच है कि ऐसी दवायें तैयार करने में, जिनमें गाय का घी, आंवला और शहद की आवश्यकता होती है, डालडा, गाजरा और गुड़ का प्रयोग किया जा रहा है ;